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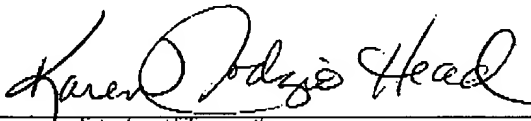
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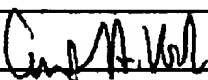
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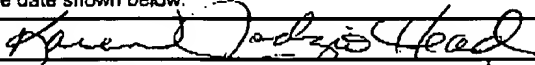
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REQUEST FOR INTERVIEW, PENDING STATUS OF APPLICATIONS

Sir:

The above-referenced patent applications (the "'631 and '444 applications") have been pending for more than six years and more than five years, respectively. We recently submitted amendments and remarks in both the '631 and '444 applications, which are believed to place both applications in condition for allowance. Given the long prosecution history of the '631 and '444 applications, we respectfully request the chance to interview the '631 and '444 applications prior to the mailing of any final Office Action. The Examiner is encouraged to telephone the undersigned attorney to discuss any outstanding issues in the '631 or '444 applications, and/or to schedule an interview, particularly if such an interview would facilitate prosecution of the applications.

Respectfully submitted,

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